

### REMARKS

Non-elected Claims 1-11 and 28-32 of Group I and Claims 33-37 of Group III, as well as provisionally elected Claims 12-27 of Group II are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider her restriction requirement because each of the groups of claims is sufficiently related that a serious burden would not be placed upon the Examiner to maintain the three groups of claims in a single application. (See MPEP § 803). Claims 1-11, 28-32 and 33-37 provide sufficient common substance with those of the methods to practice the invention in the particular area of art that a search regarding the provisionally elected and the non-elected claims should encompass the same art.

### CONCLUSION

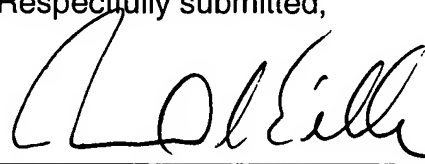
It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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